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Priority Claimed

We hereby appoint Henry H. Gibson, Reg. No. 28,951, Robert E. Walter, Reg. No. 25,245; and Kenneth S. Wheelock, Reg. No. 36,340, John B. Yates, Reg. No. 39,433, Hahn T. Pham, Reg. No. 40,771, Frank A. Smith, Reg. No. 39,375, all of General Electric Company, One Plastics Avenue, Pittsfield, MA 01201, Ronald E. Myrick, Reg. No. 26,315, Jay Chaskin, Reg. No. 24,030, James W. Mitchell, Reg. No. 25,602, Henry J. Policinski, Reg. No. 26,621, Bernard Snyder, Reg. No. 24,843 and Catherine J. Winter, Reg. No. 38,364 of General Electric Company, (W3E) 3135 Easton Turnpike, Fairfield, CT 06431-0001, of General Electric Company, (W3D) 3135 Easton Turnpike, Fairfield, CT 06431-0001, Pamela Curbelo, Reg. No. 34,676, Leah Reimer, Reg. NNo. 39,341, Michael A. Cantor, Reg. No. 31,152 and J. Michael Buchanan, Reg. No. 44,571 all of Cantor Colburn LLP, 55 Griffin Road South, Bloomfield CT 06002 jointly and each of them severally, my attorneys or agents and attorney or agent, with full power of substitution, delegation and revocation, to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. We hereby direct that all correspondence and telephone calls in connection with this application be addressed to the said:

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Figure 1: A plot of the function $f(x)$ versus x . The function is a smooth, increasing curve that starts at the origin (0,0) and approaches a horizontal asymptote at $y=1$ as x increases. The x-axis ranges from 0 to 10, and the y-axis ranges from 0 to 1. The curve is concave down, indicating that the rate of increase is decreasing as x increases.

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that all such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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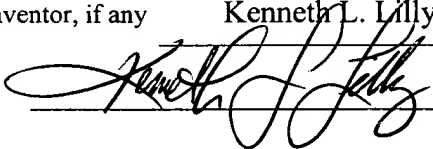
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